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ABSTRACT

A direct-dial message center function for cellular and landline telephones, which provides an effortless and convenient alternative for the user to leave a telephone message. A user of the direct-dial message center can leave a message for a person, using a code plus the other person's regular phone number, knowing that will not have to talk if they don't want to, or if they don't have the time. Thus a considerably more useful message center service is provided—that allows the user the freedom of mind to know that by using one simple code in addition to the main phone number, they can leave a message without the possibility of talking to the person.